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In re Application of:

HESS, Christopher, et al.

U.S. Application No.: 10/595,384 PCT No.: PCT/US2004/013483

Int'l Filing Date: 30 April 2004

Priority Date: 15 October 2003 Atty Docket No.: d5116-00051

For: METHOD AND CONFIGURATION

FOR CONNECTING TEST

STRUCTURES ON LINE ARRAYS FOR MONITORING INTEGRATED CIRCUIT MANUFACTURING DECISION ON RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This decision is issued in response to the "Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" filed 29 August 2008. No additional petition fee is required.

## **BACKGROUND**

The procedural background for the present application was set forth in the decision mailed herein on 07 July 2008, which dismissed applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) for failure to satisfy the requirements of a grantable petition. Specifically, applicants had failed to provide an adequate showing that the non-signing inventor cannot be located after diligent effort.

On 29 August 2008, applicants filed the renewed petition considered herein.

## **DISCUSSION**

The renewed petition includes supplemental materials describing additional efforts made to locate the non-signing inventor David GOLDMAN. These materials, in combination with those previously filed, provides an acceptable showing that the non-signing inventor cannot be located after diligent effort. Applicants have therefore satisfied the final requirement for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

## **CONCLUSION**

The renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**. The application is accepted without the signature of non-signing inventor David GOLDMAN.

A notice of the acceptance of the application will be published in the Official Gazette, and a letter informing the non-signing inventor of the application will be forwarded to the inventor's last-known address, as set forth in the petition.

The application is being referred to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 30 June 2008.

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Dear Mr. GOLDMAN:

You are identified as an inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47(a) and 35 U.S.C. 116. Should a patent be granted, you will be designated as an inventor.

As a named inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or to make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent agent or attorney presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

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